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> In response to your request regarding Alex Holtzman's questions, I believe, the question whether urea is acceptable under German Food Laws is best explained in a copy of the attached memorandum, which I wrote on March 2, 1981. Under Item 2, urea itself is specifically addressed.

The author of the work is Dr. N. Carugno of the Italian Monopoly and Beitrage zur Tabakforschung certainly constitutes a reputable journal. I am convinced that, if we were to repeat the work as described, we would find urea present also. I assume, the reason it is surprising that nobody has found urea previously is that nobody has looked for it.

I hope this will be of some help to you and I shall be happy to discuss the above at your convenience.

Reference: N. Carugno, M. Neri and G. Lionetti, Quantitative Determination of Free and Protein-Bound Amino Acids of Tobacco, Beitrage zur Tabakforschung, 7, 4, April 1974, pg 222.

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